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"The law of truth was in his mouth and iniquity was not found in his mouth, Mal. 2:6. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32.

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THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST TO BE ESTABLISHED ON THE CHINESE MAINLAND

In the 3rd (Third) quarter edition of a Missionary Magazine from the Foreign Fields, it was announced that the Church of God in Christ is about to be established on the Chinese Mainland. Two Missionary journeys have already been made to the British Crown Colony of Hong Kong. Both trips were underwritten by members of the China Club. On both trips, detailed trip reports were submitted to the Club members. In addition, copies of the reports were sent to the President, Home and Foreign Mission Dept., the Presiding Bishop and to the Field Secretary, who are honorary members of the China Club.

The Key link to the work which the Church of God in Christ is doing in China is Dr. David C. K. Chan, Bishop of the Peniel Chinese Christian Church. Supt. Chan says, the cost to start a church would be about three hundred twenty dollars a month ($320.00) in American money.

Bishop Archie Buchanan, Deputy Field Secretary (Asia) International Home and Foreign Mission Department, Church of God in Christ, Inc., has been corresponding with Supt. Chan about the arrangement of this project. Bishop Buchanan feels

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PUBLISHING BOARD MAKES NEW APPOINTMENT

by
Elder Roy L.H. Winbush

The Publishing Board wishes to announce its appointment of Elder James Lee Whitehead, Jr., better known as "Jack" Whitehead to the position of Editor-in-Chief of the Whole Truth Paper. The Whole Truth Paper is the official organ of the Church of God in Christ, Inc.



REV. WHITEHEAD

Elder Whitehead has held several positions in the church, from 1967 to 1972, he served the International Youth Congress as Community Relations Director and Chairman of Interfaith night. He is National editor of Y.P.W.W. topics of the Church of God in Christ, Inc. He is also author of the book "How To Increase Church Membership through the Vacation Bible School." In his state he serves as

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADOPTS NEW FINANCE PROGRAM

The General Assembly on April 1973 adopted a financial budget that if successful will increase the effectiveness of the Christian Ministry 100%. For the past few years the monetary strength of the church has been far less than it's true potential. The Presiding Bishop and General Board has persistently worked at a financial plan that would elevate the church to the socio-economic rank it deserves. In spite of the lack of complete co-operation on some fronts, they have given the Church a leadership that is constantly upward. All major auxiliaries have seemingly broken all previous records in their respective departments. The attendance of most conventions has been record breaking.

This 1974 Financial Program is asking each General Board Members - $1000.00, State Bishops & National Presidents - $500.00, First Administrative Assistants - $300.00, State Supervisors & National Chairladies - $300.00, District Superintendents - $250.00, Pastors - $200.00, District Missionaries - $100.00, Sunday School Superintendents - $250.00, Sunday School Field Rep. - $1000.00, State Y.P.W.W. Presidents, - $250.00, State Y.P.W.W. Chairladies - $100.00, Ordained Elders - $100.00, Licensed Ministers - $50.00 and Missionaries - $20.00.

These monies will be collected by the State Bishops and the State Supervisors and turned in to the financial office in Memphis.

The General Assembly adopted this financial program in April 1973. The full amount should be reported in April 1974. Identification cards, from the National Headquarters, will be furnished each Licensee upon certification of your report.

PURPOSE:

1. The continuation of improvements and maintainance of Mason Temple, including the installation of a modern and adequate public address system.

2. To renovate our down-town headquarters, formerly known as the Chisca Plaza Hotel, for the furtherance of the world wide Gospel Ministry, through radio, television, literature and the relocation of the Publishing House.

a. to provide housing for delegates when attending the National Convocation, Spring Call Meeting and Departmental Meetings which will alternate to Memphis each year; such as the Youth Congress, Sunday School Convention, Evangelist

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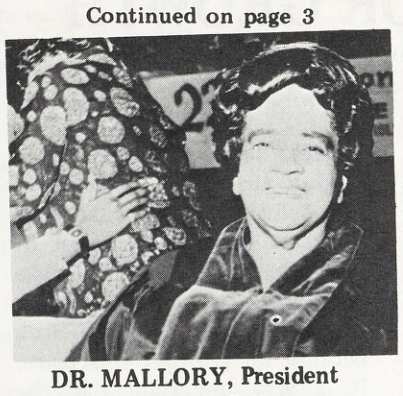
PRESIDING BISHOP J. O. PATTERSON AND BISHOP WM. RIMSON, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

CHURCH CELEBRATES FOUNDERS DAY

The Annual Founders Day of 1974 will be at Saints College in Lexington, Mississippi on Friday, April 19, 1974. The events of the day are being planned by a special committee of which Bishop Lewis H. Ford is National Chairman. The other committee members are Dr. Anne L. Bailey, and Sis. Deborah Mason Patterson.

The day promises to be a most eventful day. The ceremony will begin at 12 (twelve noon) and last for about two and one-half hours. Bishop J. O. Patterson,

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DR. MALLORY, President of Saints Jr. College

BOOKSTORE MAJOR FIRST

The Church experiences another first. For the first time in the History of the Church of God in Christ it has its own bookstore. During the past few years the church has experienced many first; the C. H. Mason Seminary was a first, The Hospital Fund was another, the Chisca Hotel is a first and now the bookstore is another. Before this the Church of God in Christ was the only major black denomination that did not own its own bookstore. Much of the coordinative of this new project was due to the untiring efforts of Elder Roy Winbush who is the President of the Publishing Board of the Churches of God in Christ.

The bookstore will help increase the promptness and efficiency level of the Publishing House one hundred percent. One of the problems in the past has been one of promptness. The Publishing House has been unable to respond to the orders as fast as they would like. Now the bookstore will enable the Publishing House to respond much faster. Literature and books are now much more available to the person who walks in from the street.

Because of this forward step a much wider range of literature and material that is peculiar to the needs of the Church of God in Christ, will be made available. A beautiful display of up-to-date religious books and materials is arranged in the sales department. The public is invited to study the display and become familiar with the many modern tools of the Christian Ministry.

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THE MILITANT PREACHER

by
Bishop F.D. Washington

"I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. II Timothy 4:1-2.

What a command given! "Preach the word." Paul here adjures Timothy to opportunity and inopportunely preach the gospel. "Just as the fountains," says Chrysostom, "though none drink from them, still flow on, and rivers, though none drink from them, still run, so we must do all on our part, though none give heed to us."

If there is a mission in heaven or on earth that calls for militancy, it is the God-given mission of preaching. Preaching holds within its powers the destiny of mankind. It is a mission of life unto life, or of death unto death. It transcends all other callings, as the Alps transcend the foothills over which they stand sentinel. It is an imperial business with imperative demands and eternal consequences. The militant preacher is earth's most militant and meaningful personage.

This discussion is to center around three main thoughts: first, The Militant Preacher Is Apostolic; second, The Militant Preacher Is Needed Today; third, The Militant Preacher Is Challenged.

I. THE MILITANT PREACHER IS APOSTOLIC

Apostolic preaching dynamited the strongholds of wickedness in the early days of Christianity, conquered formidable evils, blessed individuals, and flashed its rays across the world. Preachers in that day could not be confined to one nation. They took to the ocean as they carried the "good news" to all lands. They could say with the poet:

I know a land that is sunk in shame,
Of hearts that faint and tire;
And I know a name, a name , a name,
That can set that land on fire.

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EDITORIAL ON THE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Progress is a easy word to use. For many of us it has become like a broken song record; it's sometimes used to hide failure. Although frequently used, it is seldom followed through with progressive action. Too many organizations, churches, etc., carry the label 'progress', but not the goods. This has certainly not been the case with our church under leadership of our Presiding Bishop and General Board. The Leadership Conference was the most true difinition of progress in action I can remember witnessing.

But, before I can talk about the conference itself, I first need to try to describe the feeling one experiences upon entering one of the cities most outstanding hotels that, at one time, twenty years ago, you could only work in. What first you must be aware of is that this five-hundred (500) room and eight (8) story building was not loaned to the church just for a few days, but is owned by the Church of God in Christ, Inc. If you are a convention traveler this has an immediate significance to you since for the past thirty (30) or more years every building of this kind could only be enjoyed by us a few days at a time. The feeling one enjoys when he comes to the realization "This is Ours" is indescribable.

The next very important feature of this leadership conference is the surprisingly prompt and highly organized way it was carried out. It seems like the Church of God in Christ is going to have to began getting use to being on time. During the entire leadership conference not one event, not one class, not one meeting was more than five (5) minutes late. From the moment you arrived at the conference it was immediately realized that time was of the essence. Even if our Presiding Bishop was in the middle of an important statement, he would in some way make it brief so that the schedule could be kept. And to my surpirse the people cooperated fully with the schedule. I saw Bishops and Missionaries ranging from age of eighty (80) to thirty (30) keep a class schedule that would have been difficult for some young college students, and not one complained. Instead there was an aura of joy, serious commitment, and fellowship that was rewarding in itself.

Equally significant as the promptness of the conference was the beautiful way it was conducted. At exactly 8:00 A. M. a hot "soul" breakfast was served. All had plenty to eat with much left over. The setting was just as elegant and clean as any you could have desired. At 10:00 A. M. breakfast was ended

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EFFECTIVENESS COUNSELING AGENT FOR GROWTH

by
James Proctor

Problems here, problems there. Problems everywhere. The church is no exception. Where there are people, you'll find problems.

"Half of the patients in our hospitals have been made sick by a mental or emotional problem , " says Henry Brandt.

Some people think that Christians aren't human. But being a Christian doesn't mean that one isn't a person. Christians have the same drives, emotions, anger, and irrational thoughts that other people have.

Since Christians aren't exempt from problems, the church must try to meet their needs. It must be ready to help people deal with their problems when they cry for help. This is best done through personal counseling. The Pastor, or other ministers in the church, could do the counseling.

If counseling is effective, the church becomes an agent of growth and healing for its members. Successful counseling is more than giving spiritual guidance. It involves the Pastor or church worker in helping a person solve his own problem. Too often, leaders merely tell a member to pray and God will work it all out. At other times, they tell the member what to do and then read a few verses of scripture that really have little relevance to his problem. This kind of counseling does little because no growth takes place. It is very important that the counselor sees himself as a helper, and not as one who gives an automatic solution to any problem.

The Christian message of the Pastor or church worker affects their effectiveness as a counselor. If their message is mentally healthy, they will generally be effective counselors.

Is your Christian message mentally healthy? Karl Menninger says, "The manner in which a man utilizes his religion. . . is a commentary on the state of his mental health." It is necessary to evaluate our Christian message from time to time.

Preachers and church workers sometimes distort the Christian message in ways that hurt rather than help. Or their message may hinder personality growth. Is this really what you want to communicate to those who hear

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ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS

by
Bishop J. O. Patterson
Presiding Bishop of C.O.G.I.C.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Dear Bishop,
I First would like to say how happy I am there is going to be a column such as this.
My question is this-I have a new group of young people who can't see anything wrong with participating in recreational activities such as sports, movies, hunting, fishing, etc. I would like to know does the Church have any clear ruling about this? If so what are the guidelines?

Elder C. Wallace
Baltimore

Answer:
Dear Elder Wallace,
It is understandable why your young people don't see anything wrong in certain recreational activities. They only hear it condemned verbally and at the same time see us attend the movies, baseball games, boxing matches, tennis games, football games etc., in the privacy of our homes, by television; also going fishing and hunting.
Zeal made us condemn many things we later found not to be necessarily sinful and now our pride is at stake. It should be understood that even professional sportsmen are not gambling when they participate, it is an occupation for which they are paid a salary. Apostle Paul, often referred to some kind of sports to emphasize his sermons. If more of us had learned to be good sportsmen when we were younger, perhaps we wouldn't be "taking our ball and bat going home because they won't always let us be the pitcher" in the game of life.

Question:
Dear Presiding Bishop,
I want to thank you for starting a column of this kind. There are many questions I would like answered.
I am a young person, however, I am worried about the future of the senior people in our church who seem to be discarded by the younger ones after they have given years of service. I feel that the old should not have to get back for the young, and the young should not have get back for the old. But this is what seems to be happening. Isn't there a better solution?

Sister Gillespie
Tennessee

Answer:
Dear Sister Gillespie,
I appreciate your concern about the endless question of young and old. God needs both groups. I really feel that God has a place for everyone who desires to work for him.
We also recognize that when one has become in-active, after giving many years of service to the Church, this should be the concern of the entire church body. I feel that there should be some form of retirement with dignity and our plans for the future includes a center for the aged and retired workers who have devoted their lives to the cause of Christ. It would be helpful if you and others who feel this way, would encourage full participation in our financial goals, so that this plan may be instituted in the not too distant future.

Question:
Dear Sir,
When are you going to have the body of Bishop Mason moved? I think I remember hearing you say this would eventually be done.

M.L.
Michigan

Dear M. L.
Plans have been made for the enshrinement of the body of our late beloved Founder and leader. We hoped to have had this done before now, but other matters of priority caused a delay.

Question:
Dear Bishop,
I have done much traveling in the United States, it seems that different areas are teaching different things. Can't we have an official manual asserting the basic beliefs of the church?

Brother C.M.
Maryland

Answer:
Dear Brother C. M.
We have recently published a manual which may be purchased at our Church of God in Christ Bookstore; 272 South Main Street, Memphis, Tennessee. This book will help some, however it will need additional information. One of the best things ever to happen to our church is the establishing of the C. H. Mason Bible Colleges in many of our cities, all of us, when possible should attend these schools, they will do much to uniform our basic doctrinal beliefs.

CHRISTIANS ASK TO PUT END TO MIDEAST CONFLICT

by
T. J. Campbell

"Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God."
So declared Jesus in His Sermon on the Mount. And today those who believe in Him have a wonderful opportunity in the Mideast to set the course for peaceful relations in this most complex situation.

The area known as Palestine is sacred to Moslems, Judiasts and Christians. Throughout many centuries there has been much violence here in the name of holy causes as adherents sought to possess and control it for their religion.

The past with its wrongs, strife and bitterness is history. It cannot be erased. But as peacemakers, we can-we must!-begin to build a future of peace with freedom.

The people of the world, as represented by the United Nations, resolved on November 22, 1967 that Israel should cease it's expansionist policy and return to the borders in existence before the 1967 war. Moreover, there has been a plea to Israel to grant equal rights and liberties to everyone within it's boundaries. Because simple justice demands effective support for these objectives, Christian peacemakers should take the lead in bringing this to pass.

And since the Holy Land is sacred to followers of three different religions, and thus has become a continuing ultra-sensitive, explosive place, the only workable solution appears to be international control of the area, with individual sites administered by adherents to whom they are sacred.

The Mideast today offers the time and place in history when Christians should lead the way as peacemakers. Indeed, if Christians can persuade Jews and Arabs to lay aside their weapons and cooperate to bring accord and a better life for all in this area, the example will be set for all the world to follow.

ELDER HENRY YOUNG RECEIVES DOCTORATE IN RELIGION

Elder Henry Young, instructor of philosophy and theology at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Ga., recently received his Ph.D. in Systematic Theology.

Dr. Young, born in Boca Raton Beach, Fla. to Mr. and Mrs. Marion Young, graduated from Carver High School in Delray Beach, Fla. in 1963 after which he enrolled in Saints Junior College in Lexington, Miss. After receiving the Associate of Arts degree from Saints, he was matriculated into Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Miss. where in 1967 he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy and Religion.



DR. HENRY YOUNG AND WIFE

This degree set the stage for a fast-moving yet intense pursuit of theological training for Dr. Young which was to achieve for him in 1970 a Master of Theology degree in Systematic Theology from Boston University School of Theology, Boston, Mass. It was during his years spent in Boston that Dr. Young became a member of the Three Regent Church of God in Christ under the pastorate and diocese of Bishop C. L. Young.

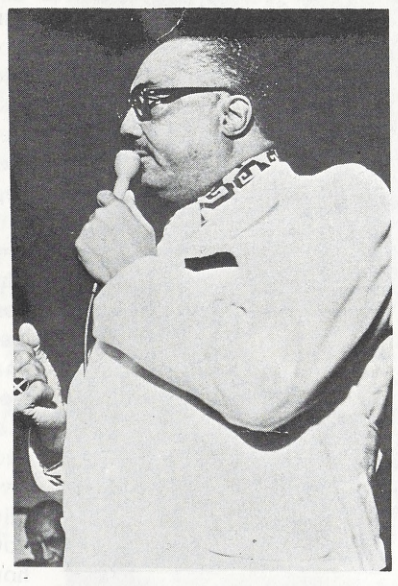
Because of his thirst to steep himself into a trained ministry, Dr. Young, a young man of meager financial means but abundant determination, enrolled in the Ph.D. program in Hartford Seminary Foundation, Hartford, Conn. where he simultaneously held a teaching fellowship in religion at Trinity College.

On Dec. 19, 1973, Dr. Young was granted a Doctorate of Philosophy in Systematic Theology where he defended his dessertation entitled Two Models of the Human Future: A Study in the Process Theism of Teilhard De Chardin and Alfred North Whitehead.

Dr. Young is presently serving as an Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Theology at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Ga. of which the Charles Harrison Mason Seminary is a constituent. He is married to the former Miss Aleta Joyce Downs of Boston, and on Dec. 11, 1973, he became the proud father of a baby girl, Aleta Renee.

BISHOP WASHINGTON RECEIVES NEW APPOINTMENT

Bishop F. D. Washington was recently appointed chairman of Home and Foreign Mission Department interim committee. Previously Bishop Martin served as chairman of the department. Also serving with Bishop Washington on this committee is Bishop J. A. Blake of California and Bishop C. L. Anderson of Michigan.



For years Bishop Washington has had a fervent interest in Missions. Because of his travels around the world, he has been given the high distinction of being called a "World Citizen". He has served for years as International field secretary of the Department of Missions.

The Department has had a history of great leadership; Bishop S. M. Crouch, the (first) 1st Assistant Presiding Bishop of the Church of God in Christ, Inc., served faithfully the Home and Foreign Mission Dept. preceding Bishop Martin.

The Mission Dept. for quite a while has effectively spreaded the Gospel throughout many of our Foreign Fields.

The church is confident that the Mission dept. will continue its fine Ministry in such capable hands.

The Interim Committee would like for all orders for Home and Foreign Mission Topics to be turned in to Memphis. Included with this article is a personal letter from Bishop Washington to the church at large.

Greetings to all who are of the household of faith.

The Home and Foreign Mission Department salutes you. I thank my God whom I serve, for this glorious opportunity to minister to you on behalf of missions. I thank Bishop J. O. Patterson our Presiding Bishop and the General Assembly, for the confidence which they have bestowed upon me to serve in this capacity.

This trust I hold in great esteem and in all humility I shall endeavor to do my best for the advancement of the Kingdom of God-into all the world. I accept this both as a responsibility, and a challenge. As a responsibility I feel that a charge is laid upon me-and I see before me insurmountable opportunities to make Christ known. As a challenge I see millions of unreached souls being brought to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ-through an involvement of the total church in the program of missions. This responsibility and challenge I accept and shall endeavor to bring into focus a fuller dimension of service.

Missions is the heart of God-loving a lost and dying world. It is the hand of God reaching out to a fallen humanity and, lifting mankind to the lofty heights of peace with God. It is the light of God leading a soul to Christ. We dare not accept this heritage which has been bequeathed to us without a willingness to pay the price. This price is self-denial. For Jesus said "Except ye deny yourself you cannot be my disciples."

I ask the full support of all who have previously served in the Home and Foreign Mission Department. For, your help is needed if we are to develop a department that is doctrinally sound, morally pure and economically stabilized.

We must restructure the work of the department being keenly sensitive to what is the will of God for the 700 million in China who should be brought to Christ. The Church of God in Christ can no longer be under a bushel. Will we idly stand by and look on the ripe field of Korea and the Far East without throwing in the sickle for the harvesting? The doors in Africa have long been opened by our missionaries who spent their youthful years in the service of this church-without pay or security. Can we afford through our negligence to let their sacrifice be in vain? We must take another look at Haiti and its possibilities, British Honduras, Mexico, India and the Philippines.

Oh Church of God in Christ, let us gird ourselves and put on new strength. Let us not be overcome with the evil of having a lack of balance on priorities, of not putting first things first. Missions is the business of the Church. I pray that we shall not fall into the snare of failure to do God's business, while we give diligence to our own.

We shall seek to involve the total church in the program of missions. We have more than 8,000 churches and I am asking

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NOTICE

Because of the Energy Crisis, there is a Paper Shortage and therefore the Whole Truth was unable to print all articles this issue. However, we will get to them in the next.

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Convention, Music Convention, Womens Convention, etc.

b. to continue a successful operation and expansion of our Church Bookstore, which is located on the first floor of our down-town headquarters. (we are thoroughly convinced that God has given us this building, the Chisca Plaza Hotel, "TO REACH THE LOST THROUGH PENTECOST")

3. To develop housing for the elderly members, retired and convalescing Elders and Missionaries from our church who have served and reached the "golden age."

4. To erect an administration dormitory building at the Charles Harrison Mason Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Georgia.

5. To extend Saints College Campus to a four year Urban Campus at our National Headquarters in Memphis, Tennessee.

6. To develop lands belonging to the College in Mississippi.

7. To develop church extensions and superannuations for deserving constiuents.

8. To develop a program of Orintation to help the Youth understand doctrine, belief and practices of our church.

We are the architects of the Church's present and future - We are counting on you to help us reach these goals.

CHURCH CELEBRATES FOUNDERS DAY

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Presiding Bishop of the Church of God in Christ, Inc., will speak on this occasion. The program promises to be one it's public will long remember. Special attention is being called during this occasion to the life and work of Bishop C. H. Mason, Founder of the Church of God in Christ, Inc., and the successful establishing of Saints College and other schools. A special tour will be a major part of the eventful day. Included will be the placing of wreaths at its' courthouse and the home where Bishop Mason lived.

The Founders Day will take place at a convenient time for most of the Ministerial Clergy of the denomination. The Annual Spring Call meeting will be in session during the same week. Most Bishops, Pastors and Missionaries will have already assembled to help conduct the business affairs of the Church. This is the time of year that was selected by the Presiding Bishop and General Board for taking care of the business of the church.

The Chairman is asking that all delegates would write to Mrs. J. O. Patterson and let her know the number of persons from your state who plan to be in Memphis, and if they will need

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LEFT TO RIGHT: DR. A. J. HINES, MRS. DOROTHY WEBSTER EXUME, SUPT. SAMUEL LOWE.

CHARLES H. MASON BIBLE COLLEGE ESTABLISHED IN THE CARIBBEAN

The Cora A. Berry Bible College at Port Au-Prince Haiti is now an affiliate of the Charles Harrison Mason Bible College. The Cora A. Berry Bible School was founded by Sister Polly Ann Stewart. The Executive Director, Dr. A. J. Hines, and Supt. Samuel Lowe, a member of the Board of Regents met with Mrs. Dorothy Webster Exume, during the 66th Holy Convocation and the Transition was made.

Supt. Samuel Lowe purchased the first set of books for the new Bible College and is seen presenting them to the President Dean. The faculty members are: Polly A. Stewart, Fannie Randolph, Alberta Hershier, Velma Moorhead, Rev. Bernard Brackin and Elder Lopez Dawtruche.

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1. The militant preacher is apostolic in his zeal. His zeal is blazing. Paul was such a preacher. His eating, drinking, and whatsoever he did was done for the glory of God. He preached the Word everywhere. "Woe is me," he declared, "if I preach not the gospel." "God forbid that I should glory save in the cross of Christ." Jesus was zealous, "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem. . . how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chicken under her wings, and ye would not!" "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." The apostolic preachers preached as if their very lives, as well as the lives of others, depended upon it. They were girded with zeal for divinity. They believed their message and proclaimed it. Their souls were on fire; their lips blazed; they believed souls out of Christ were lost, eternally, irreparably lost.

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They saw the multitudes in outer darkness; they saw myriads down in the gloomy regions of hell in utterable torture. Too many have slackened on their belief concerning the awful plight of the lost; thus they eased up on preaching the fact that souls are lost.

An infidel once met a Christian and said: "I know you do not believe your religion." "Why?" asked the Christian. "Because," said the other, "for years you

LOCAL CHURCH LAUNCHES 24HR PRAYER

By E. M. Vann

In response to a divine call and guidance, also respecting the genuine request of the Presiding Bishop L. H. Ford of the First Jurisdiction of the Churches of God in Christ of the Illinois Diocese, that all churches under his administration should launch Revival Campaigns and Youth Religious instruction Centers beginning with 1974. Pastor Elder James B. Alford of the Progressive Church of God in Christ Maywood, is making it possible for people of all races, creeds, and religions to join in one definite union with 24 hour (round-the-clock) prayers. One may enter the church auditorium at 245 S. 15th Avenue from 8:00 A.M. to 12 Midnight to kneel in prayer. If you are working use your lunch hour.

There is a dire need right now for the human family to gather and pray. If this nation perishes, we perish together. What am I saying? Simply this. "The name of the Lord is a strong tower, the righteous runneth into it and is saved."

Pastor Alford will conduct his own Revival beginning January 6. The Revival will extend through the entire month of January at the church both day and night.

The appeal is to you neighbor. Will you pray one hour for the survival of our nation and for a better 1974 in our national White House? Think about it neighbor!

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have passed me on my way to my place of business. You believe, do you not, there is a hell into which men's spirits are cast?" "Yes." "You do not, I am

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LEFT TO RIGHT: MRS. CLEMENTINE DORSEY RECEIVING THE DOCTOR OF HUMANITIES DEGREE FROM BISHOP B. R. BENBOW, D. D., L.L.D.

TRINITY HALL COLLEGE AND SEMINARY CONFERS A DOCTOR OF

On May 20, 1973, Mrs. Clemetine Dorsey received the academic honor and dignity of the Doctor of Humanities Degree, conferred for deeds and actions in the field of distinguished service. The honor was conferred by Bishop B. R. Benbow, D.D., LL.D., Council and Board Member of Trinity Hall College and Seminary, Springfield, Illinois.

Mrs. Dorsey was born in Mobile, Alabama, and grew up in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. It was here she became interested in the Mortuary Field.

During the year of 1952 she and her husband, Mr. Robert L. Dorsey came to Los Angeles, California. In this city she is a member of the Emmanuel Church of God in Christ, Bishop S. M. Crouch, Sr. is the Pastor; also serving as Chairperson of the Public Relations Department - Women's Department COGIC. For her loyal and efficient service in 1959 and 1960 she received credentials and awards.

The impressive ceremony was held at Greater Page Temple Church of God in Christ - 2610 La Salle Avenue, Los Angeles, California, Bishop L. C. Page - Pastor. Music was furnished by the Greater Page Temple COGIC Choirs under direction of Charles Barnett. Dr. Lillian C. Morris was the Mistress of Ceremonies.

Official and Special Tributes were presented from the State of California Attorney General's Office; Dr. A. Libby, South Gate, Calif.; Mesdames Margaret B. Perry and Bernice Williams, San Bernardino, Calif.; Attorneys Harry B. Dowsing and Fred L. Brown, Jr., Los Angeles; Rev. Luther J. Harper, Minister of Allen Temple CME Church, Compton, Calif.; Mr. James Winston, Manager of South Los Angeles Mortuary, Rev. Sam Steel-Staff Member, Ashley-Grigsby Mortuary, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mr. Joseph N. Hicks, Sr. (Hicks Trophy Co.); Mother L. O. Hale, State Supervisor of Women - Southern Calif. Jurisdiction COGIC, Dr. Cora Berry, Assistant State Supervisor; Mr. Robert L. Dorsey (Dorsey's Mortuary, Inc.) ; Mr. Don Love; Mrs. Lucille Howard; Mr. LeRoy D. Johnson III (Dorsey's Mortuary, Inc.) and Bishop L. C. Page.

In the Community she serves as a member of two important Advisory Boards in City Government. The State Attorney General's Advisory Council and the Los Angeles

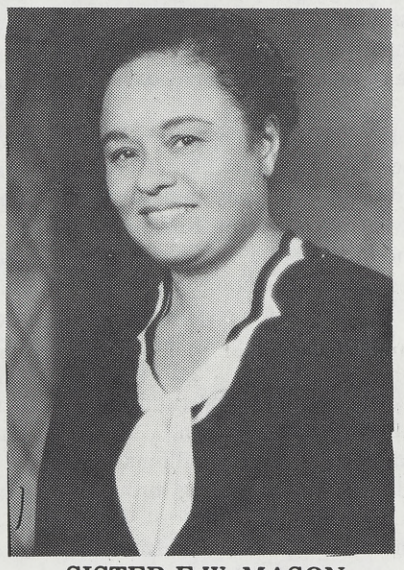
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A SALUTE TO SISTER E.W. MASON

Few women whose husbands were of exceptional prominence maintain the same rate of involvement in their husbands work after his demise as they did before it. This is certainly not true for the widow of our former Bishop and Founder. During his lifetime her loyalty and support of his work was an example for every woman. After his passing, her commitment to his labor has not lessened. Most note worthy has been the way in which she took interest in the "Whole Truth Paper", nearly 8 (eight) years ago. She did what she could to nourish and bring back to life what was at one time of the few "Newspapers" of the Church of God in Christ, Inc.

The "Whole Truth" was originally started by Sister Sparks more than 30 (thirty) years ago.

Sister Mason activities do not stop there, but each year during the International Holy Convocation you will find her



SISTER E.W. MASON

somewhere downstairs in Mason Temple, Supervising the feeding of the delegates. She seems to have conveyed to the kitchen staff that their duties consist of more than simply cooking and serving; Always you never miss experiencing a feeling of warmth and concern. Sister Mason also carried the very challenging chore of compiling and editing the Souvenir Program for the National Convocation for several years, also during the time when the church membership was very small and teachers were needed more than ever at our church school in Lexington, Mississippi, Sister Mason went to Lexington and joined the teaching staff.

By no means is Sister Mason's love for the Church of God in Christ recent. Instead the church has truly been her whole life, and even after the loss of one of the greatest men to ever live, she endures the burden of his passing with much grace and dignity. There, truly is a place she holds in the heart of the Church of God in Christ that is irreplaceable. Her seemingly endless beauty can best be expressed in the words of the poet.

"A thing of beauty
is a joy forever;
It' loveliness increases;
It will never pass
into nothing less . . .

John Keats

DEATH NOTICES & MEMORIALS

SWANTON. OHIO

The Emmanuel Church of God in Christ mourned the death of Elder Starr Howell, their pastor for 13 years, on November 19, 1973. Elder Howell was born in Terra Haute, Indiana on February 14, 1889.

In 1925, he was united in holy matrimony to Inez Jones. He was converted and joined the Baptist Church at a young age.

He was saved under Elder L.W. Bernice and called to the ministry in 1937. In 1950 Elder and Sister Howell moved to Swanton, Ohio where he served as associate pastor with Elder G. Johnson. He later served as assistant pastor to Elder Marshall and succeeded him in 1962 to the pastorship of Emmanue Church of God in Christ.

Elder Starr Howell departed this life on November 15, 1973. Elder Howell's life was one of prayer and consecration. He lived as an example for those whom he met each day and most of all as an example for his members. He will be missed by all and his life will never be forgotten.

He leaves to mourn, a devoted wife, Mrs. Inez Howell, one son, Mr. Hopton Howell, one niece, Mrs. Edith Washington and a host of converts in Ohio as well as Pennsylvania.

ATLANTA CITY, N.J. IN MEMORIAN

The bitter grief that first we felt. When God called you away, Has been sweetened by anticipation of joining you that promised Day.

On Wednesday February 7, 1973 The Lord called Home our beloved pastor, Elder William Emanuel Barton Sr. to be at rest. Born in Waxachachie, Texas. Pastored the Greater Faith Temple C.O.G.I.C. Atlantic City, New Jersey for 34 years. Formerly served as the New Jersey State Superintendent of the Sunday School Department. He faithfully held the position for 35 yrs. He taught school in the Atlantic City Public School system for a number of years.

He leaves to mourn his home going his devoted wife Mrs. Margaret L. Barton two sons Rev. W.E. Barton Jr. of Atlantic City, N.J. Marvin L. Barton of New Brunswick, N.J. five daughters Mrs. Gwendolyn Dority and Misses Garnett and Earnestine Barton all of Atlantic City N.J. Mrs. Brenda Williams of Pleasantville, N.J. a brother G.B. Barton of Atlantic City. Four sisters Mrs. Hannah Patterson and Mrs. Theresa Richie of Wichita, Texas. Mrs. Lucille Graves and April Rose Anderson both of Lubbock, Texas. seven grandchildren neices, and nephews, a host of relatives and friends. His son Elder W.E. Barton Jr. is leading us on to victory.

"OBITUARY"

Another soldier gone To get a great reward She fought the fight, She kept the faith And now She has gone home to God.

On Friday, December 7, 1973 the angel of silence came into the room of Sister Mattie Bush Bovan and with chilly fingers sealed the lips of a loving wife and Christian. Her soul winged its fight from this world of sin, sorrow and pain to a place of eternal rest.

Mrs. Mattie Bovan was born March 10, 1902 in Brooks County, Georgia to Rev. and Mrs. J.B. Bush, her parents preceded her in death.

Sister Mattie Bush Bovan became a Christian in 1933 under the leadership of Rev. E.B. Beachum, in 1935 she moved her membership to Tabernacle Holiness Church under the leadership of Elder C.A. Armstrong. She gave freely of her time, counsel and money and was always willing to do anything that she felt would help for good.

Forty two years ago Mattie Bush and T.B. Bovan married and they lived and had a lovely and beautiful relationship together. After leaving Tabernacle Church she became a member of the Mason Chapel Church of God in Christ and there she worked dutiful and made a good Christian.

Sister Bovan was a great Missionary and a very good singer. She loved singing. To her family she was loving and faithful, and strove to make them comfortable and happy.

The survivors are: A loving and devoted husband, Elder T.B. Bovan of Valdosta, Georgia, one sister, Mrs. Lula Floyd of Valdosta, Georgia, and a host of neices, nephews, cousins and friends.

Missionary Bovan was a district Missionary of the Moultrie District.

OBSEQUIES OF THE LATE SUPERINTENDENT EZRA DEWITT KINLOW

Tuesday, October 9, 1973 - 11:00 A.M. Elder Ezra Dewitt Kinlow, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kinlow, was born in Gourd, Arkansas, January 12, 1906. He departed this life October 3, 1973.

In March 1927 he was married to Miss Mary Lewis. To this union eleven children were born, of which three preceded him in death.

He was saved at the age of twenty-five and united with the Gourd Church of God in Christ under the pastorage of Elder Thomas LaFlora.

In 1933 he began his Ministerial Career. During his ministry, he served the following churches as pastor; West Dumas, Florence, Monticello, East End at Pine Bluff, Wilmar, Hamburg, Warren, and Hermitage Churches of God in Christ. The last were of which he was still presiding over at the time of his death.

He was faithful, loyal and dedicated to his church work as a pastor and worker in the State of Arkansas.

He served as Y.P.W.W. President of District No. I for thirteen years; Chairman of Finance for Southwest Arkansas for several years; he was appointed Superintendent of District No. 2 for S.W. Arkansas in March 1960 and Chairman of Elder's Council in 1967, and maintained both positions until death.

He is survived by a loyal and devoted wife, Mrs. Mary Kinlow; eight children, Samuel Kinlow and Rev. E.D. Kinlow Jr. of Tacoma, and a consecrated useful life, and attracted to himself many friends, because of his straight forwardness and willingness to help his less fortunate brothers. He lived a cheerful but serious life, and it was always a joy and inspiration to meet him and talk with him. He did not only have a personal interest in the masters work but supported it liberally with his means. We feel that the uplifted saintly influence of his life will live forever.

To say that we will miss him is too mild. When a great man like Elder E.D. Kinlow moves out of this life into that new and larger life, for years the light he leaves behind lights the paths for others. It does not require great learning to be a saint and a worker for the Lord. It only requires a regenerated pure heart filled with the spirit of God, and the best advantage of anything is work. So now this laborious, devoted, trusted and honored man has finished his course, and Wilmar, South Warren, Hermitage and Hamburg have lost a faithful pastor, the community a good neighbor, and kind and loving brother, a thoughtful relative and a just man that could be loved.

In appreciation of such a life and for the sake of those he loved, we the members of Wilmar, South Warren, Hermitage and Hamburg. Resolved: First, that while we mourn his going we accept the unerring wisdom of God's will and will keep in memory his consecrate life of service. Second: that we give thanks to God for his noble character, wise council and saintly life among us.

Humbly submitted by wife, Mary Kinlow, and children:

Washington; Eugene Kinlow of Washington, D.C.; Rubye MeNeil of Bridgeport, Conn.; Alma Bennett of Thomaston Conn.; Ala Corbin of Tacoma, Washington; Alice Hunt and Jerilean Brewer of Dumas; three brothers, Elder William Kinlow of Dumas; Elder Spencer Kinlow of Milwaukee Wisconcin, & Elder Nathaniel Kinlow of Tacoma, Washington; two aunts, Mrs. Alice Spann of Dumas and Mrs. Minnie Stiger of Mayfield, Kentucky; thirty-nine grandchildren; four great grand-children; three daughters-in-law; five sons-in-law; and a host of neices, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Fold up the tent! Above the mountains crest, I hear a clear voice calling, calling clear, "To rest! To rest!" And I am glad to go, For the sweet oil is low, And rest is best!

DALLAS, TEXAS

Greetings To you from the Pastor and Members of the Light House Church of God In Christ, Midland, Texas, Pastor Elder Amos Taylor.

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It was by WISDOM the Lord founded the Earth, and through the arms of its understanding the Word was established. Proverbs 3:19.

ARTICLES BY OUR LATE FOUNDER BISHOP C. H. MASON

IS IT RIGHT FOR SAINTS OF GOD TO DANCE?

by
The Late Bishop C. H. Mason

Yes, The word of the Lord says: "Let them praise Him in the dance." (Psa. 149:3, also 150:4). "Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together." (Jer. 31-13) "When Israel's joy ceased her dance was turned to mourning." (Lam. 5:15; Judges 21:21) "There is a time of dance or a time of dancing." (Eccl.3:4) David danced before the Lord with all his might." (II Sam. 6:16) "We may sing and dance." (I Sam. 21:11) When God builds up his people as they are to be built up then shall they go forth in the dance." (Jer. 31:4) People may go and dance with the wrong purpose or object in view, as did Israel. (Ex. 32:19). Dancing shows that we have victory (I Sam. 18:6). Sometimes there may be only women in the dance. (I Sam. 18:6; Ex. 15:20). God turned for me my mourning into dancing. (Psa. 30:11).

Dancing is mentioned four times in the New Testament. Christ himself making mention of it. (Matt. 11:17; Luke 7:32). In the 15th chapter, 25th verse of Luke, Christ, in His parable of the prodigal son, says he was received with music and dancing. Dancing here denotes or expresses joy, and that very great joy. It is a parable of the heavenly joy over the repentance of one sinner. Dancing of the people of God is to be in the spirit of Jesus only, and for Jesus only, for as in Jesus only we rejoice and dance, and praise God. We must have Jesus and all Jesus. Jesus in all things in the Church and His Saints.

The people of God do not dance as the world dances, but as moved by the Spirit of God. So you can see it is all in the Spirit of God, and to the glory of God.

It is not to satisfy the lust of the flesh, or the carnal appetite as the world's dance, but out to glorify God, and satisfy the soul. The world dances of the world, about the world and to the world.

The children of God dance of God, for God and to the praise and glory of His name. They have the joy of the Lord in them. They are joyful in their King--the Christ.

At times they may be dancing Christ is all, or none but Christ. How sweet it is to dance to Him and about Him, for He is all.

So to dance in the Spirit of the Lord expresses joy and victory. Amen!

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MUST WE SPEAK IN TONGUES?

by
The Late C. H. Mason

And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues. Our Lord Jesus did not say that some of them that believe should speak with new tongues, but them that believe shall speak with new tongues. This promise is to them that believe; it is not to the unbeliever. When did this great work begin? On the day of Pentecost. Acts 2:1-5. And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. Suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing, mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with new tongues as the spirit gave them utterance.

This promise is to all that believe. Acts 2:38-39. They spake with tongues at Caesarea, when the Holy Ghost fell upon them which heard the word. Acts 10:44-45.

Believers that went with Peter knew that these Gentiles had received the Holy Ghost when they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God. Acts 10: 45-46. The Church at Ephesus spake with tongues when they received the Holy Ghost Acts 19:6. When we are baptized with the Holy Ghost the glory of the son will be revealed to us as never before. He will glorify Christ; He will show us the things of Christ. John 16:14.

Did God intend the speaking in tongues to be in the Church? And God hath set some in the Church, First Apostles; second, prophets; thirdly, teachers. After that, miracles then gifts of healing--and helps governments, diversities of tongues. I Cor. 12:28. For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not to men, but unto God, for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries. I Cor. 14:2. No man understand him, but the spirit is speaking mysteries of God, through us. Is it wrong for one to pray in tongues? No, for if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth but my understanding is unfruitful. I Cor. 14:14. Should we let the spirit pray in us if we do not know what he is saying? Yes what is it then, I will pray with the spirit and with the understanding also. I Cor. 14:15. We do not understand what to pray for as we ought to Rom. 8:26. Likewise the spirit also helpeth our infirmities, for we know not what we should pray for as we ought; but the spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. How many ways can the spirit speaking with tongues in us edify the Church? We see four ways. I Cor. 14:6. First way, by revealation; second, by knowledge; third, by prophesying; fourth, by doctrinal teaching. What more can we say, wherefore tongues are a sign not to them that believe, but to them that believe not; but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe. I Cor. 14:22. Should we forbid to speak with tongues? No Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy and forbid not to speak with tongues. I Cor. 14:39.

Are we helped in any way to speak in tongues? Yes. He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself. I Cor. 14:4. Would the Holy Ghost have all to speak with tongues? Yes I would that ye all speak with tongues, but rather that ye prophesied, for greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues except he interpret that the Church may receive edifying when he that speak with tongues cannot interpret, but if he can interpret he is great or greater, for he may speak in the mysteries of God. I Cor 14:2, and he can speak unto men to edification and exhortation and comfort, verse 3. You can see in verse 6 that we may prophesy in tongues and he may speak a revelation with tongues, teach doctrines with tongues. May the Lord open the eyes of all His people of this great mystery. Paul was one of the greatest of the apostles, and he spoke with tongues more than all. I Cor. 14:18. O how the Holy Ghost doth reveal Christ to us when we are baptized with Him, and we do speak with tongues as He gives utterance; He will make us know that we are in Christ and Christ in us; and Christ in the Father and the Father in Christ. John 14:20.

What a sweet unity. Christ is all What a sweet rest. Christ is all God speaks himself in tongues in us. Isa. 28: 12-50. 4; 54/17, for with stammering lips and another tongue will He speak to His people, to whom He said: This is the rest, wherein ye may cause the weary to rest; that is the refreshing yet they would not hear. Rest and refreshing from the Lord when He, the Holy Ghost, is speaking in us with tongues; still the people will not hear. Speaking in tongues is the wonderful work of God. Acts 2:11. Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God. All that did not have this work in them on the day were amazed and in doubt about the wonderful work of God, and so it is today with all that have not this blessed work going on in them, they cannot understand it; they will say everything about it. Sinners, converted ones and sanctified ones and all wonder and will wonder when they hear or see this movement of the Holy Ghost going on in the saints of God. If the Holy Ghost does not speak in them, they can't understand Him speaking the wonderful works of God in other tongues. Oh, dear ones, the word of every promise of God must enter into us before we can understand the wonderful works of the promise in others. The word giveth light and understanding that all may be baptized with this one baptism of the Holy Ghost. He will show us that Christ is coming soon again to the earth. Prepare to meet your God for His glory.

THE BIBLICAL INTERPRETER

by
David Hall
Student Of Religion Butler University

The question has risen about the existance of modern day interpreters. By interpreters I'm referring to that selected group of men who clarifies the events and phenomena of daily living and establish which phenomena are part of our christian lives. Many events would remain hidden from the general awareness if not for these men. About the Bible is concerned with this because God has always had a man in tone with his movement upon mankind as vividly depicted from the narratives of the Bible. Examples of men of this station are Moses, Joshua Ezekiel or to bring the baby home a man such as Bishop Mason. These men I'm sure believed God worked in the Arena of history and in the individual lives of men, likewise these men could interpret the phenomena of his day and mold the history of those times. Moses established the fact to Pharaoh that the hand of God would move in Egypt until God's people were set free. Moses through his foretelling of the plagues before they happened qualifies him as an interpreter. Understand God worked with in the bounds of nature and this help prove his authority over all forms of life. The plagues flies, gnats, frogs and hail were called pestilence by many people of that day however with Moses calling the shots the situation became apparent that God was moving. Moses did have a high ratio of accuracy and Pharaoh I'm sure knew ten out of ten predictions was pretty good. However it took God himself to free Israel, but these miracles were axiomatic to the nation of Israel for they believe God was on their side and he was shaping their history. Moses help to establish God in the heart of the nation and brought the children to the Promised Land.

As interpreter Moses did what God wanted, he defined the word of God and delivered the message to the world at large.

I mentioned Bishop Mason as a possible interpreter let us enlarge upon that. I believe Bishop Mason to be the greatest interpreter in recent history. He was the founder of the Church of God in Christ the church that has taken the mantle of preaching the pentecostal faith to the world. Historically speaking his establishment of the church when he did was right on time and has perpetuated the righteousness of God in over three million folks. We as people must carry on the work of Christ as Bishop Mason did and prepare the world for the second advent. As the Bible says in Act 1:8 "But ye shall receive power, after the Holy Spirit is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth". Why must we carry the message so? "THIS SAME JESUS, WHO IS TAKEN UP FROM US INTO HEAVEN, SHALL SO COME IN LIKE MANNER AS YE HAVE SEEN HIM GO INTO HEAVEN"

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DO PEOPLE TREMBLE UNDER THE POWER OF GOD?

by
The Late Bishop C. H. Mason

Do people tremble when they are under the power of God? And if so is it right? Yes. Please read now in this subject. Ps. 2:11, which says, "Serve the Lord with fear and rejoice with trembling." Eph. 6:5. Servants with trembling. II Cor. 7:15. Well if one is sanctified will he shake? Answer yes. Jeremiah was sanctified, Jeremiah 1:5, and he did shake. Jeremiah 23:9 said he beheld the mountains and they trembled. Jeremiah 4:24, and when we see God in His mighty power we may shake. Habakuk said his belly trembled and his lips quivered. Habakuk 3:16. Can one fall under the power of God when he is not seeking God? Yes.

Paul fell. Acts 9:4 Will he tremble? Yes. Acts 9:6. Felix trembled while Paul Preached to him. Acts 24:25. Paul was in much trembling in Corinth. I Cor. 2:3. He was full of the Holy Ghost. Will the Holy Ghost cause the place where people may be gathered to shake at any time. Yes, at some times. Acts 4:31. What may be after he shakes the place and people? "And they were all filled with Holy Ghost." Acts 4:31. If the Church is praying to God and some fall on their faces, are they hypnotized? No. It shows that God is in the people of God, of a truth. I Cor. 14:24-25.

If God's children saw one that was hypnotized by some man, would that hypnotize the child of God? No, for God's children have power over all the power of the devil. Luke 10:19. "For greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world." John 4:4. Do the people of God have to fall out when He wants to show or work in them some new thing? (No, only as He will there are differences of administration but the same Lord. I Cor. 12: 5-6.) Men fell when Jesus owned that He was the Christ. John 18:6. Also when he arose from the dead, the keepers did shake and became as dead men. Matt. 24:4.

Rain falling on anyone may cause them to shake. We are now having the latter rain, that is, the Spirit poured out upon us when dry bones hear and receive the word of the Lord, they will shake. Ezek. 37:1-7. John who was Christ's beloved was full of the Holy Ghost, veing old in the cause. He fell as dead when he saw Him. Rev. 1:17. Ezekiel fell on his face. Ezek. 1:28. All to the glory of God.

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State Dean of Sunday Schools. He presently serves as associate pastor to Bishop J.S. Bailey at the Beverly Rd. Church of God, in Christ, in Romulus, Mich.

Elder Whitehead has had a wide educational exposure. He spent his 1st two years at Saints Junior College, in Lexington, Miss. He then spent 4 years at Atlanta's Morehouse College, obtaining his B A degree and a minor in History, mathematics and education. He matriculated 2 years at Wayne University working on His Master's in Social work. At Western Theological Seminary he acquired his Master's of Divinity. He is presently considering candidating for his doctorate at the University of Chicago.

BISHOP WASHINGTON RECEIVES NEW APPOINTMENT

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every church to become involved.

We are instituting A-Dollar-Month-Club in each State. Every local church is asked to report $1.00 per month to the Home and Foreign Mission Department. Triggered into action this would start the whole church into becoming involved in the mission program.

1. The Home and Foreign Mission Department will seek to cover every continent-Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Alaska

2. To utilize every media of

THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST TO BE ESTABLISHED ON THE CHINESE MAINLAND

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that from a monetary perspective the project looks almost humanly impossible, but he is going to move forward by faith. He feels all he needs to do is give God an opportunity to perform the work. He is mainly hoping that the churches in the U.S.A. will help him get a Church of God in Christ established on the door steps of Red China.

Bishop Buchanan has already started moving forward on two items: (1) Recruting of the Chinese Minister and (2) Incorporation of the Church of God in Christ, Hong Kong. "By incorporation, we shall be able to purchase needed property and register the church with the Government of Hong Kong."

Bishop Buchanan is very hopeful that by the end of this year, he will have the necessary funds to make down payment on the properties in the New Territories.

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mission outreach

3. To demonstrate and deliver a full demension of service in bringing the Gospel into all the world

4. To establish a strong public relations department within the board.

We must recognize what God is doing in the world and accept our place in the total program. We must find out which way God is moving and move with Him.

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I have received many letters from various locations and I do hope to hear from you.

I welcome any suggestions that you may offer for the deliberation of The Home and Foreign Mission Department. Write to me at once and send your views so that they can be considered in the programming.

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CHURCH CELEBRATES FOUNDERS DAY

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transportation to Lexington. Buses will leave Memphis Friday at 7:00 a.m. and arrive in Lexington no later than 11:00 a.m. Buses will return to Memphis from Lexington around 10:00 p.m. Friday, leaving Lexington between four (4) and five (5) in the afternoon. Pastors and groups from the different states are urged to charter buses for the trip directly to the school.

The local committee is working very hard to make this day a success. Saints College is preparing a special number of pilgrims and guest at its Founders. Mrs. Hazel Brannon Smith, editor of "The Lexington (Miss.) Advertiser", is chairman of the local steering committee for Founders Day and Miss E. M. Lashley, Dean of Women at Saints, is co-chairman.

Other members of the local committee include Mrs. Fanny M. Cothran, manager of Lexington radio station WXTN; Dr. David Jones, secretary, director of Title I program for Holmes County and Assistant Supt. of Education; Mr. Larry Burney, Saints faculty, assistant secretary; State Representatives Robert Clark; Mrs. Bernice Montgomery; Miss Mildred J. Redmond; Miss Irene Powell; Mr. Joseph Davis; Mrs. Morguerite Walton.

Presiding Bishop J. O. Patterson has been designated honorary chairman of the National Committee of 1974 Founders Day.

Also Kivie Kaplan, president of the NAACP is also an honorary chairman for the April 19th event.

The entire program will be published in the April edition of the "Whole Truth"

DETROIT, MICH.

DR. ANNE BAILEY WOMENS DAY SPEAKER

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour to all the saints of God everywhere, from the Greater Metropolitan Church of God in Christ.

We have began to work on some of the projects, we have in mind for the year 74. Our main project now is our Annual Women's Day. We are anticipating a glorious time in the Lord. Our Women's Day speaker last year was Dr. Arenia C. Mallory. This year the speaker will be Dr. Anne L. Bailey, Supervisor of the Women's Dept. Church of God in Christ, Inc. Missionary Hazel Smith, Women's Day Chairman.

Our Pastor preached out of his soul on the 1st Sunday as God poured out His Spirit; Many came to the altar. Our aim is to help some lost soul find the way; and that way is Jesus, He is the Only Answer in times like these.

The Young Ladies Sunday School class had a Fellowship Breakfast on the 2nd Sunday at our church, it was most enjoyable: Sister Roach, teacher of that class.

Until next time, we are soliciting your prayers that we will continue to do the will of our Father.

Elder C. C. Davis, Pastor
Sister Patricia Roach, Reporter

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ENCOURAGE OUR YOUTH

by
Mrs. E.M. Vann

As I was seated in the auditorium of the Progressive Church of God in Christ on October 7, I witnessed an unusual Sunday morning worship service.

The service was taken over in a completely different evangelistic media of spiritual "outreach" by the youth of the church.

Pastor James B. Alford, robed as usual for his precedented Sunday service, sat quietly and obviously prayerful as the youth zealously demonstrated their quest for divine guidance with tears and sincere fervor.

What am I saying? Simply this. There is a vast difference shown here in the change of attitudes among the youth. Massive Jesus campaigns of all types are brewing throughout the nation, even extending into many European countries. Many are bodily accepting Christ as their personal savior and crying out in prayerful requests that their parents may also "reach out" for divine guidance in this "age of strange and sinful doings among men."

It is my conviction that the Pastor of Progressive Church used seasoned wisdom in consenting for the youth to conduct their special service at the church. Even though the youth seem sincere and inspirationally inspired, there must be fundamental guidelines of temperance injected into their efforts.

Oft-times with the youth, one present a new thing and to them it becomes a "sensational must." Therefore it is important that the church re-act in establishing a sound and direct media of direction for the youth of today.

Lucifer, the angel that transgressed, was thrown out of heaven by God, and is now doing his thing throughout the earth, coming out bodily in many forms to deceive the nation. Not only is our youth in danger of being caught in his many cunning devices, but each one of us had better "watch out" and that is putting facts in a mild perspective.

If you do not believe that the

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DALLAS, TEXAS

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We regret the lost of our assistance pastor and wife, The Rev. S.B. Jackson & Family, who are moving to Dallas, Texas. He (Rev. S.B. Jackson & Family) came to us about three years ago, & have served as our assistance pastor. Rev. Jackson has assisted in many ways. He organized the Junior Inspiration choir which is well known thru out these parts of north west Texas. Also Rev. Jackson served as our assistance district Supt.

She (Sis S.B. Jackson) was very active in our church. She took part in everything of which she could be of help. Sis. S.B. Jackson was very active in the women's work, Serving as president of the Y.W.C.C.

Carolyn Jackson their daughter, was active in our Sunday School Choir, And especially good in our Jr. Usher board. We will miss her very much.

The Rev. S.B. Jackson & Family were formal members of the Light House Church of God in Christ. We will always remember you and the good works you did when you were with us. Only those who know you and family as we do can say we love you. And the last sermon you preached will long remain in our heart. Truly the subject "Finally my Brethern Farewell" Taken from "2nd Cor. 13:11. was a inspiring message.

Now we are getting ready for our District meeting which will start around the 28th of Jan. We are praying that the Lord will meet us there.

Our Dist. Sunday School Department has really come out, and are making an outstanding go under the leadership of our own District Sunday School Supt. Deacon Audrey L. Jackson, Deacon Jackson has been touring the dist, working up the Sunday School Dept. We are expecting a great meeting with our Pastor and District Supt. Rev. Amos Taylor "HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL, FROM THE PASTOR AND MEMBERS"

Rev. Amos Taylor, Pastor
Deacon A.L. Jackson, Reporter

EDITORIAL ON THE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

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and the opening address was given by our Presiding Bishop.

I cannot recall whether or not the Bishop's address had any specific title, but if I had to give it one, I would use one of the closing phrases he used near the end of his opening remarks, which was, "If you co-operate with progress, progress will co-operate with you." Progress was basically the theme of the Conference.

Also Bishop Patterson stressed equally the importance of Unity. The purpose of his address and the conference was to unite the church toward a progressive program. All classes that followed tried to do just that. Each instructor tried to inform us of the new direction the church is trying to take.

At 12:00 P. M. the classes began. Each class was exactly fifty-five (55) minutes. So that no one would get lost from their groups, special group leaders were assigned to show the way to each class, and to answer any questions we may have had.

My particular group leader was Bishop Green who took seemingly a personal interest in each member of his group. He was not only very accomodating, but very inspiring to all group discussion.

Each Instructor spoke as if they were experts in their fields. They were usually prepared for most questions. At 4:00 P. M. we re-assembled for a joint session. Each instructor or department head presented their goals and programs for the New Year. Afterward our Presiding Bishop gave closing remarks and we went to dinner. There is one almost unbelieveable observation I would like to make; and that is; not ONE offering was raised the entire two days. Neither was there a charge for any meals.

In my opinion the Leadership Conference was the most real evidence that the efficiency level of our church is in upward motion.

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devil worship is catching on in the United States and that the Satanic movement is gaining momentum, check the Yellow Pages in San Francisco for the Church of Satan and ask Anton LaVey yourself. LaVey is the founder and high priest of the Church of Satan in San Francisco, California.

I listened to this "being" on television several years ago. Since that time I have watched his progress through news medias, His following has steadily increased since he began his open teachings in 1966. He stated on T. V. that members of his church tend to be in their late twenty's and come from almost every walk of life, including students, housewives, executives, and laborers. LaVey looked to me exactly as most people would expect, the high priest of the devil worshippers . . . a massive six-footer with a clean shaven skull and a black beard reminiscent of Ivan the Terrible, sitting boldly while defying "God and righteousness" on T. V.

In essence I am saying, "Encourage our religiously inclined youth. . . let them have their Jesus campaigns. Which would you prefer parent, Jesus for your young, or social destruction which ends in death eternal? Think about it neighbor.

EFFECTIVENESS COUNSELING A GENT FOR GROWTH

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your message? Howard Clinebell feels that the Christian message should be "a constructive, creative, healing, life-affirming force" and not "a dark, repressive, life-crippling force."

When I was growing up in the church - this probably holds true for many of you -- I heard many negative messages. Some weakened my self-esteem, provoked fear, and really hurt my enjoyment of life. Sometimes I was left in a state of depression after I left a church service. I remember vividly the taboos of certain preachers, that on many occasions turned out to be a list of laws concerning surface behavior.

This is just the opposite of what Christ said was his purpose for coming into the world," . . . I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10 RSV).

Christ should be the model for every Christian message. You can evaluate your message by using this checklist suggested by Clinebell:

1. Does it build bridges or barriers between people?

2. Does it weaken or strengthen a sense of trust in relationship to God's world?

3. Is it concerned with surface behavior or the total person?

4. Does it decrease or increase enjoyment of life?

5. Does it enable people to deal constructively with their basic drives and emotions?

6. Does it promote love and growth or fear?

7. Does it strengthen or weaken self-esteem?

8. Is it reality oriented?

9. Does it stimulate or hinder the growth of internal freedom and personal responsibility?

The Christian message enhances mental health when it is presented in the context of the gospel. It builds bridges between persons. It stimulates inner freedom. It increases enjoyment of life. It promotes love and growth. It strengthens self-esteem. Above all, the mentally healthy message is related to life and enables people to deal with their basic drives and emotions.

THE MILITANT PREACHER

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sure; because, if you did, you must be a most inhuman wretch to pass me, day by day, and never tell me about it or warn me of it."

A Quakeress once said to a visiting clergyman who applied for the pulpit and who announced the "Large Hope": "If what thee say is true, we do not need thee, and if what thee say is not true, we do not want thee." A preacher is great only as he is God-possessed. When a preacher is God-possessed, he will be militantly zealous.

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